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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 18, 2007, Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). In addition, applicant requests a one month extension of time to extend the period for filing this response to May 18, 2007. Checks in the amount of \$120 and \$790 are attached to cover the fees for the one-month extension of time and the RCE, respectively. It is believed that no fees, in addition to the fee for the RCE and the extension of time, are associated with the filing and consideration of this response. If, however, the Commissioner decides that any fee or fee deficiency is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees incurred as a result of entering this response to deposit account number 03-0172.

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